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For the Year Ending

January 31, 1924

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SELECTMEN, TREASURER, CLERK, HIGHWAY AGENTS, HEALTH OFFICER, TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY, PARSONAGE COMMITTEE, TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS AND SCHOOL BOARD

OF THE

TOWN of DANVILLE

NEW HAMPSHIRE

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

JANUARY 31, 1924

TOGETHER WITH THE

VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1923
AS PREPARED BY THE TOWN CLERK.

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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator.

CLARENCE M. COLLINS.

Supervisors of Checklists.

WALDO C. WITHERELL. LOUIS M. GRIFFIN.
W. J. MACE.

Town Clerk.

HERBERT E. COLBY.

Selectmen.

ALFRED B. SARGENT. MAHLON C. CURRIER.
MAHLON B. DARBE.

Town Treasurer.

IRVING M. COLLINS.

Tax Collector.

CHARLES F. RULL.

Trustees of Public Library.

NATHAN A. WEST. ROMANZO C. BURRILL.
ALFRED B. SARGENT.

School Board.

LOUIS M. GRIFFIN. ADA L. HUNTINGTON.
GERTRUDE J. KIMBALL.

Trustees of Trust Funds.

CLARENCE M. COLLINS. LESTER A. COLBY.
ALFRED B. SARGENT.

Road Agents.

GEORGE H. M. JOHNSON. ARTHUR W. TUCK.
GEORGE N. WELCH.

Parsonage Committee.

CLARENCE M. COLLINS. ALFRED B. SARGENT.
FRONIE E. TOWLE.

Health Officer.

MARCUS M. ANDERSON.

Auditors.

ELMER A. KIMBALL.
ALLAN L. HUNTINGTON.

TOWN WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

[L. S.]

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Danville, in the County of Rockingham, in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall, in said Danville, on Tuesday, the eleventh day of March next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriation of the same.

3. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to repair the several highways and bridges.

4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money necessary to obtain State aid for building State road, and to decide where to build the same.

5. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the maintenance of State road.

6. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for snow paths.

7. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Public Library.

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in improving the cemeteries.

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the observance of Memorial Day.

10. On petition of C. F. Rull and fourteen other legal voters. To see if the Town will vote to purchase a three-burner Florence oil stove, to be used in the Town Hall, and to appropriate money for the same.

11. On petition of William West and fourteen other legal voters. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty dollars to be expended in improving that part of the Hunt Road, so called, between the residence of William West and the Kingston line.

12. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the highway known as the Blake Road, leading from a point on the highway leading from Kingston to the Post Office, known as the "Danville Post Office," in Danville, near the dwelling house of Roy Collins, and from said point on said Kingston highway running westerly through the swamp to a point where the said cross road connects with the highway leading from Danville to Haverhill, Mass., near the house of Clarence M. Collins.

13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Trustees of Trust Funds to bring legal action to determine what use shall be made of the income from the Eaton Trust Fund.

14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to hire money for the use of the Town.

15. To see how much of the Parsonage funds the Town will vote to spend for preaching for the year ensuing.

16. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 16th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and twenty four.

ALFRED B. SARGENT,
MAHLON C. CURRIER,
MAHLON B. DARBE,
Selectmen of Danville.

INVENTORY.

Land and buildings	$259,570.00
66 Horses	5,070.00
2 Oxen	100.00
84 Cows	5,250.00
7 Neat stock	310.00
32 Sheep and goats	220.00
1,425 hens	1,425.00
Money on hand	9,665.00
Stock in trade	39,150.00
Electric equipment	1,500.00
Mills and machinery	10,650.00
	$332,910.00

APPROPRIATIONS.

State tax	$655.50
County tax	791.75
Schools	3,464.00
Town charges	1,200.00
Highways and bridges	832.29
State aid construction	498.00
State aid maintenance	600.00
Snow paths	900.00
Public library	100.00
Cemeteries	100.00
Memorial Day	200.00
Stone crusher	500.00
	$9,841.54

Special tax to be paid State....	$464.00	
Overlay	248.04	
		$712.04
		$10,553.58
Auto taxes received.....	$369.01	
Poll taxes	1,196.00	
		1,565.01
Amount to be raised by property tax...		$8,988.57

Rate, $27 on a thousand.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

RECEIPTS.

Charles F. Ruee, 1923 taxes	$8,234.34
Charles H. Johnson, 1922 taxes	1,007.40
H. E. Sanborn, 1918-1920 taxes	43.80
Interest on taxes	59.51
State of New Hampshire:	
For highways	831.26
Savings bank tax	333.59
Railroad tax	46.73
Forest fires	28.50
Bounty on wild cat	20.00
Dog licenses	58.20
Automobile taxes	778.81
Rent of Town Hall	115.00
Temporary loans	6,500.00
Cash on hand January 31, 1923	347.79
	$18,404.93

PAYMENTS.

Officers' salaries	$401.73
Officers' expenses	357.54
Election and registration	18.00
Town Hall	250.50
Fire protection	60.00
Bounties	20.00
Damage by dogs	15.00
Health Department	16.35
Vital statistics	3.10
State aid maintenance	1,221.52
Town highways	828.56
Snow paths	570.10
General expenses—Highway Department	3,542.28
Public library	100.00
Town poor	169.09
Memorial Day	200.00
Cemeteries	92.24
Interest on notes	166.02
Abatements	9.93
State aid construction	750.23
Temporary loans	5,000.00
State and county tax	1,867.25
Schools	2,325.00
	$17,984.44

DETAIL STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS.

Town Officers' Salaries.

A. B. Sargent, Selectman.....	$50.00	
M. B. Darbe, Selectman.....	50.00	
M. C. Currier, Selectman.....	100.00	
H. E. Colby, Town Clerk.....	45.50	
I. M. Collins, Treasurer.....	50.00	
F. C. Ruee, Tax Collector.....	102.23	
E. A. Kimball, Auditor.....	2.00	
G. B. Hines, Auditor.....	2.00	
		$401.73

Officers' Expenses.

Printing Town Reports.....	$136.90
Rent of safe deposit box.....	2.50
Horse hire	1.50
Bonds for Town Officers.....	55.00
Tax Collector's book and supplies	12.96
Dues to N. H. Association of Assessors	2.00
Use of adding machine.....	5.00
Liability insurance	63.00
Copying	12.00
Auto books for Town Clerk.....	14.64
M. B. Darbe, trip to Portsmouth	6.00
M. C. Currier, trip to Portsmouth	6.00
A. B. Sargent, trip to Manchester	6.00
A. B. Sargent, trip to Brentwood	3.00
H. E. Colby, supplies and postage	1.90
M. C. Currier, postage and telephone	3.60

A. B. Sargent, printing and supplies	$5.00	
A. B. Sargent, postage, telephone	1.25	
I. M. Collins, postage, telephone	4.29	
Adding machine	15.00	
		$357.54

Election and Registration.

W. C. Witherell, Supervisor	$7.00	
L. M. Griffin, Supervisor	7.00	
C. M. Collins, Moderator	4.00	
		18.00

Town Hall.

Insurance	$75.00	
Fire extinguisher	20.00	
Painting	19.75	
Janitor service	71.00	
Light	45.37	
Wood	19.38	
		250.50

Fire Protection.

M. M. Anderson, Deputy Fire Warden	60.00

Bounties.

George Welch, wild cat	20.00

Damage by Dogs.

Lester A. Colby, loss of sheep	15.00

Health Department.

M. M. Anderson, Health Officer.....		$16.35

Vital Statistics.

H. E. Colby, recording.....		3.10

State Aid Maintenance.

M. B. Darbe.....		1,220.52

Town Highways.

George H. Johnson, South side.	$152.55	
George N. Welch, South side...	268.01	
A. W. Tuck, North side.....	408.00	
		828.56

Snow Paths.

A. B. Sargent.....	$165.40	
M. B. Darbe.....	215.65	
George H. Johnson.....	14.80	
George Welch	129.95	
A. W. Tuck.....	44.30	
		570.10

General Expenses Highway Department.

A. W. Tuck, repairing bridge...	$141.30	
John B. Varick Co., tools.....	42.00	
New England Road Machinery Co., road drag.....	35.40	
W. S. Bartlett, plank for snow plow	5.20	
A. L. Moore, painting signs....	1.50	
New England Road Machinery Co., stone crusher	3,067.13	
Freight	16.15	

A. L. Huntington, labor on engine	$11.25	
A. L. Huntington, supplies	6.08	
M. B. Darbe, pay-roll for setting up bin	111.90	
Roland Cheney, lumber for bin	66.58	
Colby Bros., lumber for bin	30.91	
W. J. Ladd	6.88	
		$3,542.28

Public Library.

N. A. West		100.00

Town Poor.

George Welch, care of tramp	$3.50	
Edgar Brown, burial expenses, W. Johnson	52.00	
Collins & Johnson, supplies for N. March	25.69	
A. B. Sargent, supplies for C. Pilon	67.90	
A. B. Sargent, supplies for N. March	20.00	
		169.09

Memorial Day.

Emma Osborne		200.00

Cemeteries.

A. E. Tewksbury, Sexton	$87.24	
Chandler, Gardner & Williams, use of hearse	5.00	
		92.24

Interest on Notes.

First National Bank of Derry..	$38.06	
Haverhill Trust Co.....	27.96	
Interest on Parsonage note.....	100.00	
		$166.02

Abatements.

W. H. Cronk, overtax.....	$4.73	
Millie D. Kimball, overtax.....	5.20	
		9.93

State Aid Construction.

M. B. Darbe.....	750.23

Temporary Loans.

First National Bank, Derry....	$4,000.00	
Haverhill Trust Co.....	1,000.00	
		5,000.00

State and County Tax.

State tax	$655.50	
Special poll tax.....	420.00	
County tax	791.75	
		1,867.25

Schools.

H. E. Colby, Treasurer.....	2,325.00
Total Payments	$17,984.44

RECAPITULATION.

Receipts	$18,404.93
Payments	17,984.44
Amount in treasury January 31, 1924.	$420.49

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Liabilties.

Parsonage note	$2,500.00
Note given for purchase of stone crusher	2,500.00
Schools, balance of appropriation	1,620.12
	$6,620.12

Assets.

Cash on hand	$420.49	
Charles F. Ruee, taxes	1,892.13	
Charles H. Johnson, taxes	395.28	
H. E. Sanborn, taxes	18.87	
		2,726.77
Balance against the Town		$3,893.35

MAHLON C. CURRIER,
ALFRED B. SARGENT,
MAHLON B. DARBE,
Selectmen of Danville.

We have examined the foregoing accounts of the Selectmen for the year ending January 31, 1924. We find them correctly cast and properly vouched for.

ALLAN L. HUNTINGTON,
ELMER A. KIMBALL,
Auditors.

TREASURER'S REPORT

For Year Ending January 31, 1924.

RECEIPTS.

C. F. Ruee, Collector:	
Taxes, 1923	$7,315.34
Poll taxes, 1923	561.00
Special poll taxes, 1923	358.00
Interest on taxes, 1923	10.69
C. H. Johnson, Collector:	
Taxes, 1922	851.40
Poll taxes, 1922	96.00
Special poll taxes, 1922	60.00
Interest on taxes, 1922	41.11
H. E. Sanborn, Collector:	
Taxes, 1918	9.70
Poll taxes, 1919	3.00
Taxes, 1920	26.10
Special poll taxes, 1920	2.00
Poll taxes, 1920	3.00
Interest on taxes, 1920	7.71
H. E. Colby, Clerk:	
Automobile permits, 1923	551.94
Automobile permits, 1924	226.87
Dog licenses	58.20
W. W. Winslow:	
Rent of Town Hall	115.00

State of New Hampshire:	
Highways, S. A. C.	$239.94
Highways, S. A. M.	591.32
Railroad tax	46.73
Savings Bank tax	333.59
Forest fires	28.50
Bounty on wild-cat	20.00
First National Bank, Derry, N. H.:	
Stone crusher loan	2,500.00
Temporary loans	3,000.00
Haverhill Trust Co., Haverhill, Mass.:	
Temporary loan	1,000.00
Total	$18,057.14
Balance on hand January 31, 1923	347.79
Total Receipts	$18,404.93

PAYMENTS.

Paid by orders from Selectmen	$17,984.44

Balance on hand January 31, 1924, $420.49.

IRVING M. COLLINS,
Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, have examined the foregoing account and find it correctly cast and properly vouched for.

ELMER A. KIMBALL,
ALLAN L. HUNTINGTON,
Auditors.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Received for licenses of 19 male dogs at $2	$38.00
Received for licenses of 5 female dogs at $5.	25.00
	$63.00
Reserved for issuing licenses at 20 cents each	4.80
	$58.20
Paid to I. M. Collins, Treasurer.....	$58.20
Received for tax on 82 automobiles.....	$551.94
Paid I. M. Collins, Treasurer.....	$551.94

HERBERT E. COLBY,
Town Clerk.

We, the undersigned, have examined the foregoing accounts of the Town Clerk and find them correct.

ELMER A. KIMBALL,
ALLAN L. HUNTINGTON,
Auditors.

ROAD AGENTS' ACCOUNTS

SOUTH SIDE.

George Welch	$73.12
Charles Dole	1.10
Lewis Avery	25.48
Karl Burrill	3.50
Oscar Heath	12.15
John Gowing	7.00
William Welch	1.75
Arthur Tuck	8.00
Theodore Day	34.00
M. B. Darbe	19.95
A. B. Sargent	24.00
W. J. Ladd	8.00
George Smith	8.95
Bert Taylor	1.95
George Bragg	4.00
Ernest Merrick	2.73
E. S. Nickett	8.95
Burton Cheney	3.50
Charles Heath	4.00
Earl Fitts	5.06
Wilton Hoyt	3.50
C. H. Johnson	1,75
A. L. Huntington	5.57
	$268.01

George N. Welch,
Agent.

SNOW PATHS—SOUTH SIDE.

Charles Dole	$29.00
Theodore Day	27.00
John Welch	29.50
William Cooney	1.40
Elmer West	3.20
C. W. West	3.20
W. F. Heath	2.80
Elmer Whitcher	3.20
George Welch	30.65
	$129.95

George N. Welch,
Agent.

SNOW PATHS—SOUTH SIDE, 1923.

Forest Cheney	$3.20
D. R. Huntington	8.20
C. W. West	9.20
George Welch	2.40
William Welch	2.40
Theron Young	1.00
Gerald Seaver	.60
Arthur Collins	.60
Fred Willey	.80
B. H. Cheney	5.00
Ashley McGrath	5.20
Sedric McGrath	2.00
M. E. Johnson	18.40
John Welch	5.20
John McNeil	7.20
Earl French	5.60
Thomas Arnold	7.20
M. B. Darbe	32.40
Hollis Anderson	1.20

Alliston Tewksbury	$5.00
Theodore Day	13.60
Albert Moore	7.20
W. J. Mace	1.60
J. W. George	2.00
Forest Smith	5.60
Roland Day	1.60
Theodore Arnold	.60
Charles Arnold	3.90
Karl Arnold	4.80
John Welch	3.60
Earl Fitts	6.40
George Johnson	1.20
Karl Burrill	3.60
William Cooney	13.00
T. H. Woodman	18.85
H. E. Colby	1.20
Fred George	.80
Joseph Allard	3.30
	$215.65

M. B. Darbe,
Agent.

NORTH SIDE.

A. W. Tuck	$236.75
Wilton Hoyt	54.50
O. B. Sargent	10.50
Dona Lessard	5.25
Earl French	5.25
Allen Senter	3.50
Arthur P. French	2.00
Lyman Hooke	4.00
G. F. Fellows	1.00
M. B. Darbe	5.00

George Smith	$3.50
George Welch	3.50
Theodore Day	5.75
Ernest Merrick	5.25
W. P. Johnson	13.25
F. A. Stevenson	3.50
A. B. Sargent	42.00
Edward Nickett	3.50
	$408.00

REPAIRING BRIDGE—SANDOWN ROAD.

John Schon	$15.00
A. W. Tuck	22.00
F. A. Stevenson	2.00
Spikes	2.00
W. S. Bartlett, lumber	100.30
	$141.30

SNOW PATHS.

A. B. Sargent	$15.00
A. W. Tuck	17.80
W. H. Hoyt	3.50
A. N. Wahlberg	1.60
W. P. Johnson	2.00
Merrill Merrick	1.60
Valentine Merrick	1.60
Sidney Merrick	1.20
	$44.30

A. W. Tuck,
Agent.

REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Cash on hand from 1922		$153.83
Received from Town		100.00
		$253.83
Paid:		
Mitchell & Co., for books	$175.00	
W. W. Winslow, services	30.00	
Louis Griffin, transporting books	7.80	
Sargent Bros., printing	3.50	
Pulsifer Paper Co.	6.40	
		222.70
Cash on hand		$31.13

NATHAN A. WEST,
ALFRED B. SARGENT,
ROMANZO C. BURRILL.
Library Trustees.

REPORT OF PARSONAGE COMMITTEE.

Amount in New Hampshire Savings Bank.		$4,000.00
Amount in Amoskeag Savings Bank.....		1,816.89
Amount in Manchester Savings Bank.....		1,000.00
Amount of Town Note.....		2,500.00
Received interest from banks...	$289.66	
Received interest from Town...	100.00	
		389.66
Total		$9,706.55

Paid:	
Free Baptist Society.....	$285.00
Methodist Society	84.00
Universalist Society	10.00
Congregational Society	10.00
Postage	.66
Amount of fund.....	9,316.89
	$9,706.55

CLARENCE M. COLLINS,
ALFRED B. SARGENT,
FRONIE E. TOWLE,
Parsonage Committee.

We, the undersigned, have examined the foregoing account and find it correctly cast and properly vouched for.

ALLAN H. HUNTINGTON,
ELMER A. KIMBALL,
Auditors.

REPORT OF TRUST FUND TRUSTEES

The Eaton Fund.

Schedule of Securities.

Providence Securities Co., 4% bond	$1,000.00
Keene Gas & Electric Co., 5% bond	2,000.00
Laconia Gas & Electric Co., 5% bond	1,000.00
Western Union, 4½% bond	2,000.00
American Tel. & Tel. Co., 4% bond	1,000.00
Southern Bell Tel. & Tel. Co., 5% bond	1,000.00
Western Tel. & Tel. Co., 5% bond	2,000.00
Kansas City, Clinton & Springfield Ry., 5% bond	2,000.00
New Hampshire Savings Bank, deposit	804.00
Amoskeag Savings Bank, deposit	1,734.74
Haverhill Trust Co., deposit, interest account	3,122.30
Boston & Maine R. R. Stock at par	1,400.00
Liberty Bonds	1,100.00

Cash Received.

Balance from last year		$230.53
Western Tel. & Tel. Co.	$100.00	
American Tel. & Tel. Co.	40.00	
Western Union Tel. Co.	135.00	
Providence Securities Co.	60.00	
Kansas City, Clinton & Springfield Ry.	150.00	
Keene Gas & Electric Co.	100.00	
Southern Bell Tel. & Tel. Co.	50.00	
Laconia Gas & Electric Co.	50.00	
Liberty Bonds, interest	49.05	

Haverhill Trust Co., interest.....	$101.89	
New Hampshire Savings Bank, interest	89.20	
Amoskeag Savings Bank, interest...	200.31	
		$1,125.45
Total		$1,355.98

Deposited in Haverhill Trust Co.	$857.02
Deposited in New Hampshire Savings Bank.....	89.20
Deposited in Amoskeag Savings Bank.....	200.31
Cash on hand	209.45
	$1,355.98

CLARENCE M. COLLINS,
LESTER A. COLBY,
ALFRED B. SARGENT,
Trustees of Trust Funds.

ISAAC MARCH FUND FOR SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

Deposited in New Hampshire Savings Bank.

Amount of fund..... $150.00

ORVILLE CLEAVES FUND FOR CARE OF CEMETERY LOT.

Deposited in Haverhill Trust Co.

Amount of fund 25.00

MARY P. WEBSTER FUND FOR CARE OF CEMETERY LOT.

Deposited in Haverhill Trust Co.

Amount of fund 100.00

ADALINE B. JOHNSON FUND FOR CARE OF CEMETERY LOT.

Deposited in Haverhill Trust Co.

Amount of fund $25.00

ADALINE B. JOHNSON FUND FOR BENEFIT OF HERSELF.

Amount of fund 91.17

CLARENCE M. COLLINS,
LESTER A. COLBY,
ALFRED B. SARGENT,
Trustees of Trust Funds.

We, the undersigned, have examined the accounts of the Trustees of Trust Funds and find them correct.

ALLAN L. HUNTINGTON,
ELMER A. KIMBALL,
Auditors.

SCHOOL WARRANT

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

To the inhabitants of the School District of Danville, qualified to vote in district affairs:

[L. S.]

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on Saturday, March 15, 1924, at 7.30 o'clock in the evening to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a treasurer for the ensuing year.
4. To choose a member of the school board for the ensuing three years.
5. To fill any other vacancies on the school board.
6. To hear reports of agents, auditors, committees, or other officers hereunto chosen.
7. To see what alterations, if any, the district will vote in the school board report of money needed for educational purposes during the ensuing fiscal year, and to see if the district will vote to raise the amounts as then called for therein.
8. To choose agents, auditors and committees in relation to any subject embraced in the warrant.
9. To see if the district will vote to adopt the provisions of Chapter 83 of the Laws of 1913 providing medical inspection in the schools.
10. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands this 16th day of January, 1924.

LOUIS M. GRIFFIN,
ADA L. HUNTINGTON,
GERTRUDE T. KIMBALL,
School Board of Danville.

REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

SCHOOL BOARD BUDGET.

July 1, 1924, to June 30, 1925.

To be voted on at annual school meeting Saturday, 7.30 P. M. March 15, 1924.

Teachers' salaries	$2,800.00
Text-books	85.00
Scholars' supplies	75.00
Flags and appurtenances	5.00
Other expenses of instruction	20.00
Janitor service	216.00
Fuel	275.00
Water, light, janitors' supplies	45.00
Minor repairs and expenses	50.00
Medical inspection, health supervision	40.00
Other special activities	15.00
Totals for "support of schools"	$3,631.00
Deduct State aid	1,400.00
Balance to raise by taxation for "support of schools"	$2,226.00
Salaries of district officers	92.00
Superintendent's salary	150.00
Truant officer, school census	15.00
Expenses of administration	45.00
High School tuitions	910.00

New equipment	$75.00
Tax for supervision to State	136.00
Grand total to raise for all school purposes by taxation of district	$3,649.00

LOUIS M. GRIFFIN,
ADA L. HUNTINGTON,
GERTRUDE T. KIMBALL,
School Board of Danville.

Jan. 16, 1924.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD.
July 1, 1922, to June 30, 1923.

Receipts.

Cash on hand July 1, 1922	$31.51
State aid, Equalization Fund	1,464.08
District taxation for:	
*Support of schools	1,599.80
High school tuitions	385.00
Salaries of district officers	92.00
$2 per capita tax to State	120.00
Repairs of Red Schoolhouse	150.00
Wiring Eaton School for electric lights	100.00
General purposes	178.20
Balance of district appropriation made in 1921	419.02
	$4,539.61

*There is a balance of $356.12 yet to be received from Selectmen.

Expenditures.

Salaries of district officers	$85.00
Superintendent's excess salary	128.17
Truant officer and school census	11.00
Expenses of administration	13.88
Teachers' salaries	2,600.00
Text-books	72.27
Scholars' supplies	69.65
Other expenses of instruction	20.76
Janitor service	215.00
Fuel	273.75
Water, light and janitor supplies	23.80
Minor repairs and expenses	241.82
Health supervision	40.00
High school tuitions	588.00
Other special activities	14.15
$2 per pupil tax to State	120.00
Cash on hand June 30, 1923	22.36
	$4,539.61

LOUIS M. GRIFFIN,
ADA L. HUNTINGTON,
GERTRUDE T. KIMBALL,
School Board of Danville.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

This is to certify that I have examined the books and other financial records of the school board and those of the treasurer of the school district of Danville, of which the within is a summary, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

LENA L. CURRIER,
Auditor.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

February 7, 1924.

To the School Board and Citizens of Danville:

This is my fourth annual report to you and is for the year beginning July 1, 1922, and ending June 30, 1923. Although the statistics given below cover only that period, the report extends into the present year.

Three Years of Progress in Danville Schools.

We have been giving standard tests in our schools for three years now, and by them it is possible to show accurately the progress made in the various subjects. A few typical figures are given for the three highest grades, for which there are complete data. The arithmetic shows the number of problems in fractions solved correctly in 3 minutes from Type 0 of the Cleveland Tests; letter writing the number of errors per 100 words; language the number of sentences rightly corrected in Charter's Diagnostic Language Test, Misc. B.

Arithmetic.

Gain of 220%

Feb. 1921.		Feb. 1924.	
VIII	3.4	VIII	13
VII	4.	VII	8
V	3.4	V	5

Letter Writing.

Gain of 319%

VIII	16	VIII	5
VII	22	VII	8
V	92	V	18

Language.
Gain of 110%

Feb. 1921.		Feb. 1924.	
VIII	25	VIII	30
VII	19	VII	29
V	6	V	25

The average gain in efficiency shown by the above subjects is 216%. The per cent will increase and totally eclipse the per cent of increase in school costs. Teachers of both schools deserve the credit.

1846 Compared With 1923.

A complete set of examination papers has been discovered which were given to all 9th grade pupils of Springfield, Mass., in 1846 in arithmetic and spelling. The same test in arithmetic and an equivalent test in spelling were given to our eighth grade pupils in November, 1923. The results were as follows:

Average Score in Arithmetic and Spelling.

1846	35%	1923	63%

The 1846 pupils' average age was 15½; the Danville pupils' age was 14.

Five Years of Progress in the State.

The figures given here will indicate the progress that has been made throughout the State during the past five years.

1919	1923	
12,087	17,023	Number of pupils attending high schools.
290	617	Students going to Keene and Plymouth Normal Schools.
188	513	Teachers attending summer schools to improve.

1919	1923.	
24	36	Number of weeks of school in poor towns.
91	93	Percentage of attendance.
540	180	Mid-year changes in teachers.
41%	70%	Efficiency of rural schools compared with city schools.

Therefore: 41% more pupils go to high school.
142% more teachers are receiving training.
50% longer school year is given in poor towns.
2% This is the increase in regularity of attendance.
67% of the mid-year changes in teachers have been eliminated.
70% Rural schools are this much nearer equal to city schools.

And in spite of these great gains, school costs have but kept pace with the increased cost of living, and this would have been equally true under earlier laws.

Only eight other states have as small a state tax for education as does New Hampshire.

STATISTICS BELOW.

1—Attendance statistics.
2—Honor roll of perfect attendance.
3—Staff of teachers.
4—Graduates of 1923.
5—Health supervision.

Respectfully submitted,
FRED E. PITKIN,
Superintendent of Schools.

ATTENDANCE STATISTICS, 1922-23.

	Eaton Grammar School.	Eaton Primary School.	No. Danville School.	Totals.				
				1922-23.	1921-22.	1920-21.	1919-20.	*State.
Number of no-school days (holidays, etc.)	11½	13	16	13½	12	11	12	10½
Number different pupils enrolled	25	26	17	68	53	60	61	..
Average membership	23.1	19.3	11.3	53.7	49.6	51.4	42	..
Per cent attendance	92	89	97.3	92.5	92	91.6	89.5	93.5
Number half-days absence, per pupil	25.6	36	11.5	26.4	23.7	28.7	32.3	21
Number tardinesses, per pupil	2.6	2.	7.6	3.5	3.1	2.9	3.	1.6
Number visits by parents and citizens	28	25	27	80	172	173	77	126
Number visits by school board members	4	2	3	9	9	11	11	6
Number visits by superintendent	25	20	19	64	69	63	74	60
Number pupils not absent nor tardy	2	0	0	2	5	1	0	6

*On a basis of three schools.

PUPILS WITH PERFECT ATTENDANCE, 1922-23.

Forest Bernsten Sidney Bernsten

STAFF OF TEACHERS, 1922-23.

Teacher.	Position.	Graduate of.	Experience.	Salary.
Grace M. Crosby....	Eaton Grammar..	Keene Normal '22	1 yr.	$900
Glenna M. Craine..	Eaton Grammar..	Keene Normal '22	0	$900
Freda E. Hawkins..	North Danville...	Plymouth Normal '22	0	$800

EIGHTH GRADE GRADUATES, JUNE, 1923

*Irma Y. Bernaby, First honors.
*Maurice K. Kimball, Second honors.
Sidney B. Bernsten
*Forest C. Bernsten
Karl J. Arnold

Class colors: Red and white.

Class motto: "Don't be a crank, be a self-starter."

*Entered high school in the fall.

HEALTH SUPERVISION, 1922-23.

This is a summary of the physical examination given each pupil in the fall by Dr. C. P. F. Joyce in 1923, 1922, 1921; by Dr. J. C. Tappan in 1920; and by Dr. E. E. Lake in 1919.

	No. cases found.				No cases received treatment.			
	1923	1922	1921	1920	1923	1922	1921	1920
Malnutrition (10% under weight) ..	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Defective vision ...	4	5	16	3	3	4	2	0
Defective hearing ..	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	0
Skin diseases	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Head lice	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Defective teeth	22	22	26	27	0	0	2	0
Large tonsils	7	10	27	15	0	0	0	0
Adenoids	0	3	15	9	0	0	0	0
Other diseases and defects	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

Continuing the past year under State supervision, the work has been so thoroughly classified and tabulated that it is only necessary for one to study the reports to ascertain the progress that has been made.

Under the old plan it required much time for personal observation and oversight of each pupil, and even then the parents, and the Board in particular, might not correctly determine whether they were really making any material advance in the various studies. Time has served to prove the value of the present system.

It is gratifying for the Board to know and report that all the schools, under excellent teachers and an efficient superintendent, have made remarkable progress. Such service deserves our respect and appreciation.

General conditions have been excellent and the same attention to the care of the playgrounds and sanitation has been contiued. The health of the pupils has been good, and the school year closed without any serious cases of sickness or untoward incident.

We were able to refinish the interior of the Eaton building without an extra appropriation, as we had planned; and we are hoping that sufficient funds will be available for painting the exterior this year.

The Board took the further liberty of expending a small sum for alterations in the old primary building to make it suitable for athletics, for the benefit of the older pupils. This building will require the expenditure of some money for repairs in the near future if it remains as school property.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS M. GRIFFIN,
ADA L. HUNTINGTON,
GERTRUDE T. KIMBALL,
School Board.

SCHOOL TREASURER'S REPORT

From July 1, 1922, to June 30, 1923.

Balance on hand July 1, 1922	$31.51
Received from Town Treasurer	3,044.02
Received from State Treasurer	1,464.08
Total amount received	$4,539.61

EXPENDITURES.

Teaching.

Grace M. Crosby, grammar school	$900.00	
Glenna M. Craine, primary school	900.00	
Freda Hawkins, North school	800.00	
		$2,600.00

Janitor Work.

Freda Hawkins	$2.00	
Frank Bernaby	33.00	
James George	192.00	
		227.00

Tuition.

Gertrude Kimball, 1 pupil at Dean Academy	$55.00	
Sanborn Seminary, 10 pupils	533.00	
		588.00

Paid to the State.

Mabel R. Folsom, salary for superintendent	$125.00	
Treasurer of State of N. H., tax for 60 pupils at $2	120.00	
		$245.00

Wood and Fitting.

Alfred B. Sargent	$52.50	
Colby Bros.	208.75	
		261.25

Books and Supplies.

Ginn and Company	$7.56	
Charles Scribner's Sons	6.22	
W. B. Ranney Co.	7.79	
Scott Foresman & Co.	17.58	
Benj. H. Sanborn & Co.	2.92	
Houghton, Mifflin & Co.	4.80	
The Macmillan Company	18.00	
Harry Housten	2.15	
Current Events	5.25	
Milton Bradley Company	81.34	
Edward E. Babb & Co.	7.87	
Charles F. Whitehouse	1.20	
		162.68

Miscellaneous Expenses.

The Draper Maynard Co., football	$6.08
Henry C. Doughty, floor oil	11.25
C. P. F. Joyce, medical inspection	40.00

D. H. Osborne, curtain rollers, etc.	$3.05	
Bakie Bros., pump	12.50	
Mrs. Lestern Johnson, cleaning	3.00	
Mrs. John Emery, cleaning	8.27	
John B. Varick Co., brooms and supplies	13.17	
F. E. Pitkin, miscellaneous expense	3.17	
George B. Hines, janitors' supplies	3.55	
H. E. Colby, postage	1.92	
Edson C. Eastman Co., blanks, etc.	7.10	
Charles H. Kimball, snow shovel	.85	
Marcus M. Anderson, cleaning vaults	8.00	
Louis M. Griffin, telephone, postage, etc.	4.86	
Louis M. Griffin, housing wood, etc.	5.50	
Louis M. Griffin, school census and services as truant officer	11.00	
		$143.27

Repairs.

Elmer A. Kimball, primary building	$55.35	
Elmer A. Kimball, red schoolhouse	124.70	
Charles F. Ruee, red schoolhouse	25.00	
		205.05

Officers.

Louis M. Griffin, services on School Board	$25.00	
Ada L. Huntington, services on School Board	20.00	
Gertrude T. Kimball, services on School Board	20.00	
Herbert E. Colby, Treasurer	20.00	
		85.00
Total amount expended		$4,517.25
Balance on hand		22.36
		$4,539.61
Total amount received		$4,539.61

HERBERT E. COLBY,
Treasurer.

ACCOUNT OF THE EATON HIGH SCHOOL MONEY.

Balance on hand from former account	$302.68
Paid E. A. Kimball for locks and labor	5.00
Balance on hand	$297.68

HERBERT E. COLBY,
Treasurer.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

I, the undersigned, Auditor for the School District of Danville, have examined the foregoing accounts, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

LENA L. CURRIER.

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF DANVILLE, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1923.

Date.	Name of Child.	No of Child.	Name of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Birthplace of Mother.
1923.						
Jan. 30	—— Sanborn	3	Herman Sanborn	Elizabeth McNeff ..	Danville, N. H. ...	Boston, Mass.
Apr. 8	Robert Cooney	3	William Cooney	Agnes Hines	E. Weymouth, Mass.	Boston, Mass.
Apr. 14	Mahalah Welch	2	John B. Welch	Esther Manchester .	Kingston, N. H. ..	Lawrence, Mass.
May 3	Merton S. Watters...	1	Walden W. Watters....	Annie Sanborn	Brandon, Vt.	Danville, N. H.
Aug. 5	Edward W. Elliott...	..	Charles Elliott	Claudia L. Elliott ..	.....	.....
Aug. 29	Doris E. McGrath...	2	Rodney J. McGrath....	Annie B. Bruce....	Danville, N. H. ...	W. Newton, Mass.
Sept. 1	Lois Day	3	Theodore C. Day.....	Mary A. West	Bradford, Mass. ...	Kingston, N. H.
Oct. 7	Reginald C. Mace ...	3	Carleton Mace	Violet Brown	Danville, N. H. ...	Malden, Mass.

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF DANVILLE, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1923.

Date.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Age.	Place of Birth of Each.	Name of Father.	By Whom Married.
1923.						
Feb. 10	Chester, N. H.	Sidney C. Merrick	30	Danville, N. H.	Merrill B. Merrick	Rev. Silas N. Adams, Chester, N. H.
		Bernice M. West	19	Chester, N. H.	William West	
June 23	Hampstead, N. H.	Theron J. Collins	24	Danville, N. H.	Edson F. Collins	Rev. Howard Collins, Hampstead, N. H.
		Loretta Pleau	26	Haverhill, Mass.	Louis Pleau	
Dec. 1	Westville, N. H.	Alfred A. Bushway	27	Portland, Me.	Joseph Bushway	M. J. Moher, Catholic Priest, Plaistow, N. H.
		Oda J. Allard	21	Danville, N. H.	Joseph Allard	

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF DANVILLE, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1923.

Date.	Name and Surname of Deceased.	Age. Y.	M.	D.	Place of Birth.	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.
1923.							
Jan. 2	Freeman W. Tuck	86	11	5	Freemont, N. H.	Israel S. Tuck.....	Rachel Tuck.
Jan. 30	—— Sanborn	0	0	0	Danville, N. H.	Herman Sanborn	Elizabeth McNeff.
Feb. 27	James B. Sargent	76	4	8	Danville, N. H.	Peter Sargent	—— Bartlett
Aug. 5	Nathaniel O. March....	76	1	9	Lowell, Mass.	Isaac March	Nancy A. Greely
Sept. 16	Aletha J. Collins.....	87	8	19	Danville, N. H.	John Collins	Orinda Towle